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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED
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APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

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- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee --required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

1. Petition fee
☐ Small entity-fee \$_____ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☒ Other than small entity - fee \$ 1,330.00 (37 CFR 1.17(m))
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- ☐ has been filed previously on _____
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☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ _____ for a small entity or \$ _____ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. [NOTE. The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D))].

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Enclosures: ☒ Fee Payment☒ Reply☐ Terminal Disclaimer Form☒ Additional sheets containing statements establishing unintentional delay☒ Other: Two months extension of time fees (one month already paid)

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STATEMENT OF UNINTENTIONAL DELAY

The Applicant respectfully submits that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137 (b) was unintentional.

The Applicant submits that a faxed response dated July 25, 2003 was sent to the fax number indicated in the Office Action. As the fax number indicated in the Office Action did not respond, another fax number (Customer Service) was dialed and the facsimile transmitted successfully. Copies of the fax cover sheet, the fax transmission sheets and the Certificate of Transmission are attached as proof of transmission. The Applicant respectfully submits that he had every intention of continuing with the prosecution of the application.

The Applicant now re-submits the Response to the Office Action and respectfully requests that the petition to reinstate the prosecution of this application be granted.

A credit card is attached to cover the petition, petition for extension of time and Terminal Disclaimer fees amounting to \$2,280.00.



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Kia Silverbrook

November 3, 2003